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** BRAZIL. 4925 - R. Difusora, TaubatÈ, S„o Paulo, follow-up to previous report of reactivated station:

I was well treated in a phone call to the station by JosÈ da Silva Filho, better known as 'Tom Mix'. He informed me that the station returned to the tropical bands on Saturday Dec 9. For the time being it is running half power, testing. He also said their return was delayed by the bureaucracy at ANATEL in BrasÌlia. In the future the station plans to produce programming especially for the tropical bands. The director is EmÌlio Amadei Berings, to whom reception reports should be sent. Address is: Rua Dr. Souza Alves, 960, Centro, 12.020-030 - TaubatÈ - SP Brasil. Telefone e fax: 0 xx 12 232.8122. Later: I received confirmation in only 5 days for a report sent by fax from 0 xx 12 232-8565, answered by Diretor Superintendente Emilio Amadei Beringhs [sic] Neto. I received a personal letter, stickers, pens, keyrings and rulers (CÈlio Romais, radioescutas, translated by gh for DXLD)

**CANADA. CHWO [740] is being heard here in Canton, Ohio all day long with good signal strength on my ICF-2010, some moderate co-channel interference late evenings from unidentified station. Is their pattern non-directional as I`ve heard or is there some beaming towards the south? I'm used to hearing Toronto stations at night but not with this strength in the daytime. Thanks! (Ron Luyster, Dec 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Should be non-direxional, same as CBL was. Do you recall how reception of it was last winter? With the sun at it lowest this time of year, you may be getting some skywave even in the daytime (gh, DXLD)

** CANADA. 740 CHWO Oakville, ON Dec 18-23. After several weeks of testing with only open carrier, have been testing nonstop this entire week with a motley variety of nostalgia and Big Band tunes, some Christmas songs, as well as some 50s oldies. Voice announcements such as: ``Prime Time AM 740 is now test broadcasting in order to bring you the best music ever made, from Glenn Miller and Perry Como, to Anne Murray, Dionne Warwick and CÈline Dion. Premiering Monday,

January 8th, this is Prime Time Radio, AM 740`` (Mike Brooker, Ont., hard-core-dx via DXLD)

** CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC. Unidentified 5900 Around 0100 to 0200 always just above threshold. Possible flute IS at 0100, but couldn`t make out anything else. Regularly heard daily. Always wiped out later by Radio Bulgaria`s Russian service which is often at good levels. Could this be Central African Republic`s Radio Ndeke-Luka? (Walt Salmaniw, 21 Dec, Queen Charlotte Is, BC, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Walt, We`ve been hearing N`delke on 5900 during November and early December off the back end of the SW wire at Graylands [WA coastal DXpedition site]. Likely this is the one you are hearing now! (Don Nelson, Oregon, swbc@topica.com via DXLD)

** CHINA. Apparently CNR-1 left 7935 approx. on Dec 20. Their new schedule instead of 7935: 7275 2000-0130 (or 0100?), 11835 0130(or 0100?)-1130, 7275 1130-1735. Goodbye, 7935! Merry Christmas! (Mikhail Timofeyev, hard-core-dx Dec 24 via DXLD)

** GREECE [non]. VOG via Delano (?) to Au new 11900 finally audible here UT Dec 23 at 0600, weak and fluttery \\ 7475 Greek music direct from Greece (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN. Special Program of Radio Japan "20th century of the International Broadcasts" will be broadcast in the all languages of Radio Japan's Regional Service except English and Japanese on December 25 and 26. The 2 day program consists valuable interview and recording tapes. This program is "not" on the air in the General Service (Toru Yamashita, Japan, Asian Broadcasting Institute http://www.246.ne.jp/~abi/ Dec 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAWI. Another missing African, even on Xmas eve, is 3380, not heard around 1800 UT Dec 24 (Chris Hambly, Victoria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Both Bob Foxworth and Eric Bueneman suggest that KMKZ could be a Disney-in-waiting, as R. Disney calls often have some connexion with ``Mickey``! But we now recall the letters originally applied to 95.7 in a lame attempt to spell mix as in ``Mix 96``. The 1640 CP in Enid is now on its third set of call letters without even going on the air, and we would not be surprised if it ultimately becomes KCRC, which, after all, was the original 1390 station the expanded band frequency was supposed to improve (Glenn Hauser, Oklahoma Broadcasting News via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. Glenn, happy holidays and my best wishes for health and luck in the new year, keep up your excellent work!

Last night I found 7125 back on regular schedule with Russian 0200-0400, no longer replaced 0300-0400 by English. 7180 was very weak here, certainly not co-located with 7125 which I guess still originates from the Tbilisskaya site, substituting for Grigoriopol`
(Kai Ludwig, Germany, Dec 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Gorbachev becomes owner of Radio-1 |
Excerpt from report by Russian Ren TV on 15 December

The USSR president, Mikhail Gorbachev, has become a media tycoon. He now owns Radio-1 - a new All-Russia radio station that will be funded by the Gorbachev Fund...

[Gorbachev] We shall make this channel a national one. The channel is intended for Moscow and Moscow Region and slightly touches on Vladimir, Tver and Smolensk [Regions]. But we have plans to make it a national radio station.

[Diana Berlin, Radio-1 general producer] The station will not be politicized. Mikhail Sergeyevich [Gorbachev] has no such intention. This will be a family channel broadcasting many cultural programmes. There will be a music rubric that will broadcast hits of all generations.

[Correspondent] Gorbachev said that he does not intend to use his role as a media owner as a means of advancing his own interests. This is an attempt to restructure radio. It is an experiment of sorts...
Source: Ren TV, Moscow, in Russian 1130 gmt 15 Dec 00
(via BBC Monitoring via DXLD)

* THAILAND. The short path from Tampa to BKK is about 355 degrees according to my wm7d eq-az map. I would think this would want to arrive over the N pole since the entire N pole region is in darkness this time of year. Maybe a skewed path around the edge of the S pole, along the greyline is possible. The long path from BKK to here crosses Palmer Peninsula, Tierra del Fuego, for what it`s worth (oops, meant to say FWIW) if you consider just a straight path, but it`s in daylight 24h now in the Antarctic part of the trip.

I think Glenn is right, you EC guys further north should be working this possibility, and for DXers in the Seattle-Vancouver areas and north, in the Pacific Northwest, there are many documented 75 and 80-meter ham contacts from that area to northern Europe around 1500Z just at sunrise in Seattle, at this time of year, and I think TA reception along that greyline path should be possible, as I have already mentioned in the IRCA group. I think Pat Martin may be a bit too far south to pick this up however. Nick Hall Patch reported a

peak on 1314 kHz one day at just the right time recently on his automatic signal strength logger device - tantalizing.

As for me, it`s just too noisy around here in my townhouse and I am too lazy to try a field expedition at that time of day to work 1575. 73 (Bob Foxworth, FL, NRC-AM via DXLD)

** U S A. Dear Glenn, Fred Flintstone is back on 7415 WBCQ, Saturdays, 7:30-8 pm Eastern. Rock and roll on shortwave-you bet. Seasons best, (Allan Weiner, WBCQ, Dec 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST) UT Sunday 0030-0100 - hmm, don`t forget what`s on the other WBCQ then (gh)

** U S A. The only programs worth listening to on WRMI (disregarding 9955, buried in jamming): Viva Miami, in English, Fri 2200-2215 on 15725, UT Mon 0445-0500 on 7385. AWR Wavescan, UT Fri 0515 and UT Mon 0530 on 7385. This Lousy Half Hour Show, UT Sun AND Mon 0430-0500 on 7385; Scream of the Butterfly, UT Sun 0500-0600 on 7385; Seldom Heard Radio, UT Saturday 0600-0630 on 7385 after first and third Fridays; Mi Seferino, UT Sat 0600-0630 on 7385 after 2nd, 4th, 5th Fridays (gh excerpted from Dec 9 revision of WRMI sked via Mike Terry, BDXC-UK via DXLD)

** U S A. Subject: LPFM CP The FCC. LPFM did incorporate the new Grams bill. CPs can be granted any time after 1/22/01 if there are no petitions to deny. Since NAB got what it wanted, it probably will not object. So, expect a long list of CPs in early February with sign ons starting immediately. So, will the Digest and the Atlas list these new CPs / stations? (John Broomall, GA, John@ChristianCommunityFM.com WTFDA via DXLD)

** U S A. Re DXLD 0-163: No, WPHT doesn`t webcast. They`re the former WCAU, longtime CBS owned station. As you may know, all CBS stations are now Infinity stations. Infinity and CBS have the same owners. Infinity doesn`t webcast any of their stations unless their contractual arrangements (e.g. Major League Baseball and the Phillies on WPHT; NFL and the NY Giants on WFAN) require them to. Seasonal salutations (Richard Cuff, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST) [1210 AM]

** U S A. The more things change... From the Friday, December 22, 2000 edition of the M Street Daily. CBS Radio Networks will change the CBS news sounder (opening jingle) at 12 noon Eastern time on Tuesday, December 26. The tune will be the same, but the instrumentation will be different (Brock Whaley, GA, Dec 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WSM-AM, Nashville, has been playing occasional brief excerpts from old broadcasts this year as part of the station`s

anniversary. The station is now promoting a 14-hour marathon "WSM Remembers" on New Year`s Day, beginning at 10 am CST (Mike Cooper, Atlanta GA, Dec 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Webcasting Public [mostly] Radio stations holiday specials for MONDAY DECEMBER 25; ALL TIMES HERE ONLY ARE CENTRAL = UT MINUS 6. Most URLs are www dot call letters dot org; some exceptions are noted. -XXXX means duration not specified, tho often determinable from other stations` listings.

2300-0100 KPFA READINGS FOR XMAS EVE ****
0000-0100 BC A VICTORIA XMAS http://www.beethoven.com
0000-0300 KPBS MESSIAH Buffalo

0100-0200 BC CANADIAN BRASS XMAS ALBUM
0100-0300 KPFA A VENUSIAN XMAS ****
0200-0300 BC SONGS OF ANGELS Robert Shaw Singers
0300-0400 BC CHICAGO BRASS QUINTET
0400-0500 BC STAR OF WONDER
0500-0600 BC XMAS MASTERPIECES
0500-0700 WOR PERRY COMO SPECIAL http://www.wor710.com
0600-0700 BC XMAS WITH THE POPS

0700-0800 BC A CLASSIC XMAS
0700-0800 WCNY ANCIENT NOELS
0700-0800 WKSU CHANTICLEER XMAS
0700-XXXX NPRN NY POPS XMAS http://net.unl.edu
0700-1100 KPFA BETTY BEASLEY`S 4-HOUR XMAS SPECIAL ****
0700-1700 WOR WOR FAMILY XMAS

0800-0900 BC CAROLS FOR GUITAR
0800-0900 WCPN A XMAS CAROL MARLEY`S
0800-0900 WHYY A XMAS CAROL JONATHAN WINTERS
0800-0900 WKSU ANCIENT NOELS
0800-XXXX WMUB A XMAS INTERCONNECT newage thinkers
0800-0930 KSUI ST OLAF XMAS FESTIVAL http://ksui.uiowa.edu
0800-0930 WCLV NUTCRACKER BALLET http://www.wclv.com
0800-1000 WCNY CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA XMAS
0800-1000 WAMC NY POPS XMAS
0800-1000 WUNC BACH XMAS 2000 Apollo`s Fire
0800-1600 WYSU CLASSICAL 24 HOLIDAY MUSIC

0900-1000 BC XMAS WITH CAMBRIDGE SINGERS
0900-1000 KUNR ANCIENT NOELS
0900-1000 WCPN SWISS XMAS
0900-1100 WHYY ORNAMENTS & ICING
0900-1200 WUWF MESSIAH Buffalo
0900-1200 WBHM MESSIAH Buffalo

0900-1030 NPRN FONLAC BBC
0900-1030 WFCR FONLAC BBC
0900-1030 WETA FONLAC BBC
0900-XXXX KANU HOLIDAY VESPERS AT KU http://kanu.ukans.edu
0900-1030 KUNI XMAS IN COLOGNE

0930-1100 KSUI XMAS CONCERT, COLOGNE
0930-XXXX WCLV XMAS WITH ROBERT SHAW CHORALE

1000-1100 KUNR CHANTICLEER XMAS
1000-1100 WCPN SWEETEST MUSIC EARLY AMERICAN
1000-1100 WYSO PLEASURES OF WINTER
1000-XXXX BC AN EARLY XMAS
1000-1130 WCNY ST OLAF XMAS FESTIVAL
1000-1200 WBEZ ORNAMENTS & ICING
1000-1300 KRWGFM HOLIDAY MUSIC TILL NOON
1000-1700 WYOMING NPR CLASSICAL XMAS http://www.wyomingpublicradio.org
1000-1800 KANU NPR XMAS DAY MUSIC

1030-XXXX NPRN CHANTICLEER XMAS
1030-XXXX KUNI XMAS AT ST OLAF

1100-1200 KSUI SWEETEST MUSIC EARLY AMERICAN
1100-1200 KPBS JUDY COLLINS
1100-1200 BC NUTCRACKER
1100-1200 WAMC A XMAS CAROL MARLEY`S
1100-1200 WCPN MOREHOUSE & SPELMAN GLEECLUBS
1100-1200 WHYY PHILADELPHIA SINGERS
1100-1200 WNYCF MURRAY PERAHIA conversation/music
1100-1200 WYSO JUDY COLLINS
1100-XXXX KWGS CHANTICLEER XMAS
1100-1300 KUNR BACH XMAS Apollo`s Fire
1100-1300 MPR TOM CRANN`S XMAS
1100-1300 WNYCA NY & COMPANY holiday singing rigors
1100-1400 KCRW XMAS MORNING GLORY gospel
1100-1400 NWPR MESSIAH Buffalo
1100-1500 KUOW WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ
1100-1700 WYNY CAROLS OF XMAS Reba McIntire http://www.wyny.com

1130-XXXX WCLV APOLLO`S FIRE
1130-1430 WCNY MESSIAH Buffalo

1200-1300 KPBS PLEASURES OF WINTER
1200-1300 KUNI STAR OF WONDER Concordia College
1200-1300 WCPN LESSONS & CAROLS Spoleto
1200-1300 WHYY JAZZ PIANO XMAS 2000
1200-1400 VPR MESSIAH Vermont Symphony http://www.vpr.net
1200-1400 WBEZ TOSS THE FEATHERS

1200-1400 WYSO ORNAMENTS & ICING
1200-XXXX KSUI MUSIC OF BAROQUE
1200-1500 NPRN MESSIAH Buffalo

1300-1400 KUNR NPR PT: XMAS AROUND THE COUNTRY
1300-1400 BC TREBLE CHORUS OF NEW ENGLAND
1300-1400 KNAU A XMAS CAROL JONATHAN WINTERS
1300-1400 MPR NUTCRACKER
1300-1400 WBAI BUILDING BRIDGES Harry Belafonte
1300-1400 WAMC ANCIENT NOELS
1300-1400 WHYY JAZZ PIANO XMAS 1998
1300-1430 KXMS NUTCRACKER BALLET
1300-XXXX WCPN CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA XMAS
1300-1500 KUNI TOSS THE FEATHERS

1400-1500 KCRW A XMAS CAROL Richardson/BBC
1400-1500 BC MANY MOODS OF XMAS
1400-1500 KUNR XMAS AROUND THE GLOBE [NOT, see below]
1400-1500 WETA A XMAS CAROL JONATHAN WINTERS
1400-XXXX WKARF ECHOES OF XMAS
1400-XXXX VPR A XMAS CAROL Willem Lange
1400-XXXX KSUI WORLD MUSIC JOURNAL XMAS
1400-XXXX WCLV XMAS @ TWILIGHT [sic]
1400-1700 KUNR MESSIAH Buffalo [NOT at scheduled 1500] ****

1430-XXXX WCNY FONLAC Syracuse Childrens Choir

1500-1530 KCRW TRUMAN CAPOTE`S XMAS MEMORY
1500-1600 KUOW ROBERT FROST: SOUNDS OF RURAL
1500-1600 BC XMAS BRASS
1500-1600 NPRN AMERICAN BOY CHOIR
1500-XXXX WFMT ST OLAF CHOIR http://www.wfmt.com
1500-1630 MPR FONLAC BBC
1500-1800 KUNR MESSIAH Buffalo [actually started at 1400!]

1530-1600 KCRW THE LOUDEST VOICE Grace Paley

1600-1700 BC BOSTON POPS XMAS FESTIVAL
1600-XXXX KING BRITTEN`S CEREMONY OF CAROLS
1600-XXXX NPRN ST OLAF XMAS FESTIVAL
1600-XXXX KUOW VERY SPECIAL SEDARIS XMAS
1600-1730 KCRW UNDER MILKWOOD Richard Burton

1700-1800 WYSO IMAGINATION WORKSHOP XMAS
1700-XXXX KSUI MESSIAH Boston Baroque

1730-1800 KCRW DYLAN THOMAS CHILD`S XMAS WALES
1730-XXXX WKSU CHANGE OF SEASON

1730-1830 NPRN A XMAS CAROL JONATHAN WINTERS
1730-1900 VPR FONLAC BBC

1800-1900 KANU ANONYMOUS 4 LEGENDS OF ST NICK
1800-1900 WYSU PLEASURES OF WINTER
1800-XXXX WMUB XMAS INTERCONNECT newage thinkers
1800-XXXX WUMB AMERICAN ROUTES
1800-2000 WCPN TOSS THE FEATHERS
1800-2000 WYSO HALL OF FAME BLUES FOR XMAS
1800-2200 KUNI XMAS WITH BOB DORR blues/rock

1900-2000 KBYU BYU XMAS CELEBRATION
1900-2000 KUNI TRISHMAS CAROLS
1900-2000 WCLV VAUGHAN WILLIAMS` CANTATA HODIE
1900-2000 WETA NPR PT: XMAS AROUND THE COUNTRY
1900-2000 WKSU SWEET WAS VIRGIN`S SONG Apollo`s Fire
1900-2000 WUNC MOREHOUSE & SPELMAN GLEECLUBS
1900-2000 WYSU MUSIC OF THE BAROQUE XMAS SPECIAL
1900-XXXX KWGS TASTE OF CHANUKAH
1900-XXXX WBHM ECHOES OF XMAS
1900-XXXX VPR NPR PERFORMANCE TODAY: COUNTERPOINT
1900-XXXX NPRN CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA XMAS
1900-XXXX WKARF XMAS IN COLOGNE
1900-2100 WHYY PAUL WINTER CONSORT SOLSTICE
1900-XXXX KANU GOODTIME RADIO REVUE Lawrence
1900-XXXX KSUI CHICAGO SYMPHONY BACH XMAS ORATORIO
1900-2100 WAMU THE BIG BROADCAST Jack Benny etc

2000-2100 KBYU NY POPS
2000-2100 WETA CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA XMAS
2000-2200 WYOMING BACH XMAS 2000 Apollo`s Fire Leipzig
2000-2200 WYSO RED EYE EXPRESS BLUES
2000-XXXX WFMT AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS
2000-XXXX WCLV MESSIAH Tavner Players/Chorus
2000-XXXX WYSU ECHOES OF XMAS

2030-2130 KCRW RIFFS OF THE MAGI NoÎl jazzplay

2100-2200 OPB A XMAS CAROL JONATHAN WINTERS
2100-2200 NPRN ECHOES OF XMAS
2100-2200 KBYU GLAD TIDINGS
2100-2200 WHYY JUDY COLLINS
2100-XXXX WFMT PROFILE OF XMAS

2200-2300 WAMC JOY TO THE WORLD [which?]
2200-2300 WHYY A XMAS CAROL JONATHAN WINTERS
2200-2300 WYOMING A XMAS CAROL MARLEY`S
2200-2300 WYSO SEASON`S GRIOT

2200-XXXX NPRN NATIONAL LUTHERAN CHOIR ADVENT CONCERT
2200-2330 KBYU FONLAC BBC
2200-2400 KUNI WORLD CAFE

2300-2330 WYSO VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS drama
2300-0100 OPB PAUL WINTER CONSORT SOLSTICE

2330-XXXX WYSO XMAS EVERY DAY reading
2330-XXXX KUOW JOY TO THE WORLD drama 1 of 2

2400-2600 KUNI ECHOES

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This gets us over the hump, but a number of holiday shows continue to be scattered during the following week, and then the focus shifts to New Year specials. Thanks to Bill Westenhaver, Richard Cuff, Chet Copeland, Kevin Kelly for additional references. Some Xmas-episodes of regular shows are included if listed on the stations` holiday-special pages.

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